

Additional Information

If you have information on a release please contact us by fax or phone. It is helpful to receive the reports within 48 hours of the incident. Please include those items needed for data collection.

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REDUCING INJURY AND DEATH FROM HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RELEASES

HAZARDOUS
SUBSTANCES
EMERGENCY
EVENTS
SURVEILLANCE
SYSTEM



What is HSEES?

The Hazardous Substances Emergency Events Surveillance (HSEES) system collects data on hazardous material releases. HSEES has been directed by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) since 1990. Utah began participating as one of 15 states on January 1, 2000.

Goals and Objectives of HSEES

To reduce injuries and death of first responders, employees, and the general public resulting from hazardous substances emergencies.

HSEES goals are to:

- A. Describe the distribution of hazardous substances emergencies in Utah.
- B. Describe the injuries and death experienced by employees, first responders, and the general public.
- C. Identify risk factors associated with the injuries and death.
- D. Develop strategies to reduce subsequent and prevent injuries and death.
- E. Participate in the National HSEES system.



Data Collection



Data collection is an essential piece of the HSEES system. Therefore, the data must be complete and accurate. The following is a list of the basic information the HSEES system is seeking:

- Chemical name and quantity
- Time, date, and location of release
- Type of release (spill, air emission, etc.)
- Weather information
- Injury information
- Estimated size of exposed population
- Evacuation and in-place sheltering
- Control actions and/or emergency response
- Personal protective equipment used



Outreach



The data collected by the HSEES system will be used to reduce injuries and death due to hazardous materials releases. HSEES helps do this in the following ways:

- Identify risk factors
- Develop risk reduction strategies
- Provide summary data to first responders, employers, and general public
- Identify most commonly released chemicals
- Educate first responders, employers, and general public about most commonly released chemicals
- Provide presentations on the system and its findings

